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## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE IN GENEVA

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Procedures Branch and has the honour to transmit herewith the response of the Government of the Republic of Moldova to the communication no. OL MDA4/2015 dated 6 May 2015, of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Procedures Branch, the assurances of its highest consideration.



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In the context of the continuous efforts of adjustment of the national legislation framework in accordance with the provisions set out in the UN Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (ratified through Law No 166 from 9 July 2010), and in conformity with Law No 60 from 30 March 2012 – on social inclusion of persons with disabilities, the Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family has prepared a draft Law for the inclusion of amendments and completion of certain legislative acts.

In the process of elaborating the mentioned draft Law, the civil society was also involved, and most of the forwarded proposals and objections presented by the civil society were taken into consideration in the process of defining the draft Law.

The mentioned draft Law was sent for consultation to the relevant ministries, afterwards approved by the Government and later on adopted by the Parliament on the 7 May 2015. The adoption of the mentioned draft Law led to the exclusion of discriminatory provisions from the Electoral, Civil and Penal Codes, and from the Law regarding nongovernmental organizations.

Also, the adopted Law provides for the right to vote for persons with disabilities declared legally incapable, as well as gives the right to contest decisions of the judiciary regarding the declaration of legal incapacity of persons with disabilities, and the right to establish and be members of nongovernmental organizations.

The above-mentioned provisions will enter into force once published in the Official Journal of the Republic of Moldova.

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